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THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1883.

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New Patterns in POMPADOIR SATEENS.
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Trimmed & Untrimmed HATS & BONNETS.
A Choice Selection of FLOWERS.
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Hongkong, 4th April, 1883.

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EXTRA BRIGHT VIRGINIA.
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TURKISH MIXTURE.
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PERIQUE VIRGINIA MIXTURE.
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HAPPY THOUGHT—Medium Strength.
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STAR MIXTURE—Mild.

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CIGARETTES.

LITTLE BEAUTIES.
OLD JUDGE.

CAPOREL.
HALF CAPOREL.

RICHMOND GEM.
RUSSIAN CIGARETTES.

NEW GOODS JUST RECEIVED.

New Assortment of Cut Scraps.
New Paste Partouts.
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New Photo Albums for Cabinets only.
News Cutting Scrap Books.
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Skeleton Guard Books.
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Novelties in Purses, Portmonies, Ladies' Com-
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SPECIALTY:—ANTI COCKROACH VARNISH effectually prevents the destruction of
Books by Cockroaches. It neither injures the binding, nor produces the objectionable sticky
appearance common with Chinese Varnishes.—Sole Proprietors.

KELLY & WALSH—HONGKONG.

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W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED.

MY QUEEN WALTZ.
VIOLETES, WALTZ.
LE PREMIER PAS POLKA.
ALL WALTZES OF THE WALTZES.

SWEETHEARTS' WALTZ.
OFFICERS' WALTZ.
TRUE TILL DEATH SONG.
CRAMER'S DANCE ALBUMS.

NEW BOOKS.

BABER'S TRAVELS IN WESTERN CHINA.
MAX MULLER'S INDIA.
CRANE'S LECTURES ON ART.
NEW PARLIAMENTARY BLUE BOOKS
ON CHINA.
LECKY'S WRINKLES IN NAVIGATION.
PARALLEL NEW TESTAMENTS.
THE AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND.
LANDELL'S THROUGH SIBERIA.
GLAZEBROOK'S PHYSICAL OPTICS.
THE AGE OF FIRE AND GRAVEL BY
DONNELLY.
SEDGWICK'S LIGHTS.
GAELIC PROVERBS.
FOREIGN OFFICE LIST.

SWINBURNE'S POEMS AND BALLADS.
PROCTOR'S LEISURE READINGS.
CASSELL'S DICTIONARY OF COOKERY.
MARKHAM'S WAR BETWEEN PERU
AND CHILE.
COAN'S LIFE IN HAWAII.
OSWALD'S ZOOLOGICAL STUDIES.
GRIFFITH'S COREA.
BONWICK'S PORT PHILLIP SETTLE-
MENT.
NEW SYSTEMS OF LEARNING LAN-
GUAGES.
ARTISTS' GOODS IN GREAT VARIETY.
BEZIQUE AND SQUEEZER-PLAYING
CARDS.

NEW FANCY GOODS.

W. BREWER,
QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883.

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EX S.S. "GLENARTNEY."

A LARGE ASSORTMENT
OF

LADIES' FASHIONABLE

STRAW HATS AND BONNETS.

ALSO,

CHILDREN'S AND GENTLEMEN'S

STRAW HATS.

ROSE & CO.

31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1883.

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WILLIAM SCHMIDT & CO.
GUNMAKERS & AMMUNITION
DEALERS.
BRACONFIELD ARCADE.

Arms, Ammunitions, and Requisites of
every description.

Arms Repaired, Cleaned, or Converted at
moderate charges.

Sporting Guns and Ammunition always
on hand.

F. D. GUEDES.

WINE MERCHANT AND GENERAL
COMMISSION AGENT.

No. 5, D'AGUIAR STREET.

Always on hand a large assortment of
CHOICE WINES of the best quality, at
Moderate Prices.

Hongkong, 2nd October, 1882.

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Mails.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE;

VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"ARABIC,"
will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yoko-
hama, on MONDAY, the 21st instant, at THREE
P.M.

Connection being made at Yokohama with
Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Port.
All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to
address in full, and same will be received at the
Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day pre-
vious to sailing.

RETURN PASSAGES.—Passengers, who
have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Fran-
cisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within
six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 per
cent. from Return Fare; if re-embarking within
one year, an allowance of 10 per cent. will be
made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return
Passage Orders, available for one year, will be
issued at a Discount of 25 per cent. from Return
Fare. These allowances do not apply to through
fares from China and Japan to Europe.
Consular Invoices to accompany Overland,
Mexican, Central, and South American Cargo,
should be sent to the Company's Office, ad-
dressed to the Collector of Customs, San Fran-
cisco.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company
No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1883.

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Consignees.

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE
DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.

STEAMSHIP "LIBAN,"
CANDOLLE, COMMANDER.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above named
vessel from Marseilles and intermediate
Ports, and in connection with the "TAYGETE"
from London, are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk into
Godown B of the Undersigned, Marine Lot No.
12, whence and/or from the wharves or boats
delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
after the 8th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected by
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1883.

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Intimations.

Granville Sharp.

P. P. C.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FIRST INTERIM BONUS of Twenty
per cent. upon Contributions for the Year
1882 has this day been DECLARED.
Warrants may be had on Application at the
office of the Society on and after the 21st inst.

By order of the Board,

DOUGLAS-JONES,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1883.

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THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that ORIGINAL
SCRIP CERTIFICATE No. 1,973, dated
18th June, 1880, for THREE SHARES in the above
Company, standing in the name of REUBEN
SOLOMON has been LOST, and should the
same not be produced before the 9th May next
a Duplicate thereof will be issued to REUBEN
SOLOMON, and all transaction taking place
under the said ORIGINAL SCRIP CERTIFICATE,
No. 1,973, will be recognized by the Company.

By-Order,

D. McLaurin,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883.

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INTIMATION.

SIGNOR ANTONIO CATTANEO, of the
CONSERVATOIRE-DE-BERGAMO and late
of the ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA-COMPAANY has
the honor to inform the community that he has
arranged to remain in Hongkong, and will give
lessons in Music, Singing and the Pianoforte.
CHARGES STRICTLY MODERATE.

Address—Messrs. KELLY & WALSH,
Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1883.

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NOTICE.

THE OFFICES of the Undersigned have
this day been REMOVED to the 1st Floor
of 43, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, above Achee's
Furniture Store.

DENNYS & MOSSOP,
Solicitors and Notaries Public.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1883.

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J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE AND
PORTER.

DAVID CORSAK & SONS
MERCHANT NAVY

NAVY BOILER

LONG FLAX

CROWN

ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.

Hongkong, 15th June, 1881.

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Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR FOCHOW (DIRECT)

THE E. & A. Steamship

"CATTERTHUN,"
Captain Miller, will be despatched at FIVE P.M.
TO-DAY, the 10th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1883.

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FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIGO.

THE Steamship

"BENLEDI,"
Captain Ross, will be despatched as above,
TO-MORROW, the 11th instant, at 12 NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1883.

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FOR NAGASAKI (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"BENARTY,"
Captain Le Bouillier, will be despatched, on
SATURDAY, the 12th instant, at FOUR P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1883.

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THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"JORGE JUAN,"

Captain Thebaud, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 12th instant,
at FIVE P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1883.

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FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN, and QUEENSLAND
PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW
ZEALAND, NEW CALEDONIA,
FIJI and TASMANIA.)

THE Eastern and Australian Steamship
Company's Chartered Steamer
"GORDON CASTLE,"

Captain Waring, will be despatched as above,
on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at 4 P.M.

Parcels (all of which must be sent to our Office)
will be received up to 4 P.M., on the 15th May.
Contents and Value of Packages must be
declared.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1883.

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NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE
DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.

THE Steamship

"LIBAN,"

Candolle, Commander, will sail on or about
MONDAY, the 21st May, for MARSEILLES,
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, and SUEZ, and with leave to call at
PENANG and TOUTICORIN. In connection
with these Steamers the Company runs a Line
from MARSEILLES to HAVRE and LONDON,
leaving MARSEILLES after arrival of the
Steamer from CHINA.

The Company also runs Steamers regularly
from MARSEILLES to numerous Ports in the
MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA, by
which through freight may be booked.

The Company has a Forwarding Agency at
Paris, 9, Rue de Rougemont, giving special
facilities to Shippers.

Each Steamer carries a Surgeon and
Stewardess.

FIRST-CLASS FARE TO MARSEILLES..... \$300.
SECOND-CLASS FARE TO MARSEILLES..... \$200.
RETURN TICKETS are now granted by
the Steamers of this line available for the
undetermined periods, to be reckoned from the
date of arrival at Marseilles of the Steamer for
which the Ticket is issued to the date of re-
embarkation there of the Holder of the Ticket.

6 Months..... \$520. 2ND CLASS
12 "..... \$410.
Special rates are arranged for families.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883.

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SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE American Bark

"C. B. HAZELTINE,"
Gilkey, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1883.

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FOR VICTORIA B.C. AND NEW
TACOMA W.T.

THE American Ship

"MERCURY,"

Panno, Master, will load here for the above Ports,
and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883.

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FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. I. American Bark

"PENOBSCOT,"

Eaton, Master, will load here for the above Port,
and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883.

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FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. I. American Ship

"GUARDIAN,"

Fletcher, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883.

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FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. I. American Ship

"WANDERING JEW,"

Talpey, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

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FAMILY AND DISPENSING
CHEMISTS,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS,
DRUGGISTS' SUNDRYMEN,
PERFUMERS,
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OF
MANILA CIGARS,
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,
AND
MANUFACTURERS
OF
AERATED WATERS.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

THE SHANGHAI PHARMACY,
24, NANKIN ROAD, SHANGHAI.

BOTICA INGLESA,
14, ESCOLTA, MANILA.

THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON.

THE DISPENSARY, FOCHOW.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong Telegraph" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writers, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

Whist the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the fair discussion by correspondents of all questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in this day's issue not later than THREE O'CLOCK so as not to retard the early publication of the paper.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Arrangements have been made to publish The Hongkong Telegraph daily at a rate. Subscribers in the central districts who do not receive their copies before FIVE O'CLOCK will oblige by at once communicating with the Manager.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1883.

THE interest taken by the community of Hongkong in matters religious, judging by the attendance at the annual general meeting of the seat-holders of St. John's Cathedral held on the afternoon of the 26th ult., is evidently of a most ephemeral character.

At the hour announced for the meeting only three gentlemen had assembled, and as these were the Colonial Chaplain, (the Rev. W. JENNINGS), the Registrar of the Diocese (Mr. EDMUND SHARP), and Capt. H. G. THOMSETT, one of the trustees, the outside public was entirely unrepresented.

Where were the go-ahead gentlemen who are constantly writing to the newspapers advocating reforms and improvements, and making wholesale suggestions for the guidance of the committee of management?

Well, we are not in a position to say where they were, but we know where they were not, and that was at the annual church meeting, which had been specially convened for the purpose of passing the accounts for the last, and electing trustees for the ensuing year. It really seems a great pity that those enterprising seat-holders who would take any amount of personal trouble to collect subscriptions for a new organ, or an improved style of vestment for the members of the choir, have the real interests of the church so little at heart that they did not consider it worth while to attend the one meeting of the year, at which the general management of the Cathedral might be practically discussed. However, we can only presume that the majority of the congregation are quite indifferent as to what may be done or left undone in the matter, so long as they are not troubled—and it may be that they are right in this eschewing what would in many cases be a pharisaical humbug.

The three gentlemen who composed the meeting of trustees sat in solemn conclave, and quickly despatched what little business there was on the agenda. Reinforced by another trustee, Mr. T. JACKSON, who arrived rather late, they then resolved themselves into a meeting of seat-holders, inspected and passed the annual accounts, elected Mr. JACKSON and Mr. A. P. MACLEWEN in place of the retiring members, decided that the rent for sittings should remain the same as before, namely \$10 per year—and then quietly separated, each man going his respective way with the full consciousness that he at least had done his duty to Church and State.

As we do not pretend to be a great authority on religious questions, and infinitely prefer to exclude the discussion of such a vexed subject as religion from our columns, we refrain from making further satirical allusion to the proceedings of yesterday afternoon. By our calling attention to what is certainly a grim satire on our religious system, it is to be hoped that the seat-holders of St. John's Cathedral will be awakened to a sense of the duty they owe to themselves, and to the authorities who are kind enough to interest themselves in the management of the affairs of the church.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE local events of the past fortnight not calling for any special reference, our usual summary has been omitted from this issue.

His Excellency the Governor returned from Canton in H. M. S. Swift late on the afternoon of the 30th ult.

We regret to learn that Messrs. Sayle & Co. received a telegram from Manila this morning (May 2nd) announcing the sudden death of that port of Mr. Sharp, one of their employees who went over on business about ten days ago. Mr. Sharp was a young man, and had only been about three months in the Far East. He succumbed to an attack of choleraic diarrhoea.

At a Regular Convocation of Victoria Chapter, No. 525, held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on April 30th, the following office bearers for the ensuing year were installed:—

M. E. ZIMMERMAN, Comp. W. M. B. ARTHUR, H. J. CORHAM, C. L. GORHAM, R. FRASER-SMITH, PAUL JORDAN, Scribe E. J. MCWATERS, J. F. W. HEUERMAN, Treasurer, J. R. GRIMBLE.

A MEETING of the members of the Cricket Club was held in the Pavilion yesterday afternoon, the 2nd inst., to consider the question of keeping the ground open later than usual in the interests of lawn tennis players. There was a fair attendance. Mr. W. M. Deane, who occupied the chair, briefly explained the object of the meeting, and asked if any member had any proposal to make. Mr. J. H. S. Lockhart proposed that the time for closing the ground be left entirely to the discretion of the committee, which was seconded by Mr. G. S. Coxon. An amendment was proposed by Mr. J. H. S. Lockhart, that the ground be kept open until June 30th, but found no second. After a few observations from Messrs. Tripp, Deane and St. Croix in favor of closing the ground at an early date, it was ultimately resolved on the motion of Capt. Newington, seconded by Mr. Foss, "that the ground be kept open until May 30th." After some further conversation as to the date of opening next season, the meeting terminated.

STRANDING OF THE DUTCH SCHOONER "MATARAM" LOOTING OF THE SHIP BY CHINESE FISHING JUNKS.

The Dutch schooner *Mataram* left Hongkong on April 26th at 7 a.m., bound for Amoy in ballast. She encountered a strong gale on the 30th, and was driven to the southward. On the 30th, the weather was very foggy, and the vessel's head was put to the N.E. She struck ground three times about midnight when the captain anchored. On the following day the captain got into a boat and sounded round the ship and found the vessel was in two and a quarter fathoms of water. He endeavored to make out a passage, being surrounded by shallow water, and at noon the vessel again struck and remained fast. The captain made preparations for leaving the ship in case of her breaking up, and while so engaged the vessel was surrounded by a lot of fishing junks, which are described by the ship's cook and steward as Hongkong junks. There were about 80 men in all on the junks, and they went on board the schooner, armed with hatchets, made their way into the cabin and ransacked the ship from stem to stern. They threatened the captain with their hatchets and made signs for him to clear out of the ship. They then began tearing the sails down and looting the cargo on everything that could be moved. The captain expostulated with them, when he was again threatened by the plunderers who raised their hatchets to strike him. The captain seeing that he was powerless to resist them with any chance of success, got into the boats with the crew, who were afraid they would be murdered if they remained on board, and made for the Pratas Island which was distant about three miles, where they remained for the night. Next day the captain sent the Chinese cook and steward and four Malays to the island to ask for some rice and water, as they had nothing left. The pirates refused to give them any assistance. During that day the sampans of the pirates were journeying constantly between the camp and the stranded schooner, removing everything that could be taken out of the ship. On the 2nd inst. the captain consulted with his mate and crew and decided on leaving the island in one of the ship's boats, and arrived here yesterday, (May 6th) about three o'clock, being accompanied by his Chinese officer and a Malay seaman. During the night the captain and his mate were very heavily weathered, they signalled three steamers which passed them but not one of the three stopped to pick them up. We understand that assistance was requested from Commodore Cumby by the Agents, Messrs. Schellhass and Co., who were naturally anxious about the lives of the sixteen men left on the island, but we are unable to say as yet whether any assistance has been sent.

LAWN TENNIS HANDICAP.

The final heats of the lawn tennis handicap, which for the past two or three weeks has been occupying the attention of devotees of this popular pastime, were decided on the Cricket Ground yesterday afternoon (May 1st) in the presence of a large number of spectators, including a fair sprinkling of ladies. The players left in were Mr. G. S. Coxon and Lieut. Allen (The Buffs) on the one side, and Capt. Newington, M.L.L., and Lieut. Bunbury (The Buffs) on the other, who had to play the best of five sets, six games to the set, on level terms. Amongst experts the handicap was regarded almost from the first as an easy thing for Coxon and Allen, but the brilliant form displayed in the preliminary ties by Bunbury and Newington generally led to the belief at last that the deciding contest would be a close and exciting one. First impressions, however, as is generally the case in such matters, proved correct, as Coxon and his partner completely out-worked their opponents at every branch of the game, eventually winning with consummate ease by three sets to one.

At the commencement of the game Newington played in wretched form, and although Bunbury worked hard and occasionally displayed brilliant form, the opposing couple would not be denied, and secured the first set by six games to two, and the second by the same majority, Coxon particularly distinguishing himself by the rapidity of his returns and his excellent judgment in placing the ball. In the third set the favorites appeared likely to have it their own way, easily securing the first two games, but then fortune for a time favored their opponents, who commenced to play in much better form, and amidst loud cheers eventually drew away and won the set by six games to four. In the fourth, and as it proved the final set, Coxon's volleying was a marked feature, Allen backing up the "crack" in capital style, and as both Bunbury and Newington at this stage of the proceedings played most indifferently, and missed several easy chances, the game quickly witnessed some close and exciting work, several rallies between Bun-

bury and Coxon eliciting warm applause, and eventually the non-favorites scored the point. This was their last chance, as Coxon and Allen secured the next three games, thus winning the set by six to one, and the match by three to one. Although popular feeling was evidently with the losers, the winners were loudly cheered at the termination of the contest.

The play was generally good, but taken as a whole a long way from high class form. Coxon is a brilliant player, and if Bunbury were only a little more reliable he would be no despicable antagonist, but in yesterday's match, whilst occasionally displaying magnificent form, he frequently missed the easiest possible chances, thus losing by carelessness the advantages his previous admirable play had secured. Allen is a steady, careful player, who made very few mistakes, whilst Newington, judging from last night's form, was either out of condition or completely outclassed. Compared with the foursome played by Mr. A. B. Tomkins and Lieut. Mayne of the Inniskilling against Lieut. Hedley, R.E., and Mr. D'Almeida of Singapore on the Cricket Ground some eighteen months ago, in which the first named pair scored a clever victory, yesterday's show, so far as skill went, was a very poor one.

A noteworthy feature of this handicap has been the uninteresting character of the various competitions. The victors in almost every heat, from the very beginning of the series up to and including the final bout, winning with ridiculous ease—almost without the semblance of a competition. This does not say much for the handicapping, which was supposed to place the "cracks" and the duffers on equal terms. It has been conclusively demonstrated by results that the winners of the competition could easily have given the "runners-up" a start off half the game, and it is almost certain that Bunbury and Newington could have successfully conceded the same advantage to any other couple in the list of entries. We do not make these remarks in any carping or invidious spirit, but simply to show the committee who managed the handicap, that if they desire to improve the character of the play, and to render these contests more interesting and exciting, it will be necessary to devote considerable time and attention to arranging the competitors in pairs and in allotting the starts.

QUARTERLY MEETING OF VICTORIA LODGE "X" I. O. G. T's.

The quarterly meeting of the above worthy institution, for the installation of officers and to receive the quarterly reports, was held in the Lodge room on the evening of the 1st inst. The reports were satisfactory in every respect and showed the finances to be in a very healthy condition. It must be gratifying to those who take an interest in the cause of Temperance to learn that no less than seventy members were initiated into the Order during the past three months, and that the new initiates comprised a fair and giving sprinkling of our island residents, many of whom are giving valuable aid in repressing the abuse of strong drink. The following officers for the current quarter were installed by Bro. E. Birch, honorary D. G. W. C. T.:

P. W. C. T. Bro. J. FRANCIS.
W. C. T. Bro. BURT.
W. V. T. CHAPMAN.
S. ROBT. WHITE.
T. MAXWELL.
C. ROBT. LOVE.
M. REV. W. LEE.
G. TURL.
O. G. FULLER.
A. S. LYNCH.
D. M. TOOP.
CHANDLER.

"THE BUFFS" ASSAULT-AT-ARMS.

Major Halahan, Capt. Gordon, Capt. Gibson, Major Gleeson, Cr. Sergi. Milne, Cr. Sergi. James, JUDGE, Sergi. Mulholland.

The sport loving East Kent Regiment introduced a novelty into the usual programme of Hongkong pastimes, by inviting the community to an Assault-At-Arms at the Garrison Gymnasium on the afternoon of Saturday, April 28th. This branch of athletics, although new to this colony, has for many years been a favorite kind of entertainment with many athletic clubs in London, and with our military friends at Aldershot it has long been a regular and popular form of amusement. The officers of "The Grand Old Buffs," as General Sargent likes to designate his old regiment, are to be commended for the encouragement they give the men to interest themselves in athletic pastimes. By taking an active part in these sports, the soldiers are kept in good, hard condition, which renders the routine of their daily duties a mere nothing; they are further necessarily compelled, presuming they wish to excel in whatever athletic pastime they go in for—to abstain from every kind of excess, and the inevitable results are that they improve their healths, put themselves in the best possible condition to resist the effects of the trying climate, save the time and trouble which a munificent government considers sufficient reward for her protectors services, and become in every respect better men and better soldiers. Although the same liberties cannot be taken with the human frame in the relaxing climate of a semi-tropical place like Hongkong as can with impunity be indulged in at home, we hold that a judicious amount of training will both physically and mentally improve all classes of men, and we therefore say that the officers of "The Buffs," who actively encourage cricket, boat races, and athletics, without the slightest partiality, but actually take part with the men in all these pastimes, are entitled to great credit for their very laudable efforts to improve those placed under their charge.

"The Buffs" had made extensive and convenient arrangements for their guests on Saturday. A commodious match had been erected for a stand, and refreshments were provided without stint. The attendance was a very large one and included many ladies and a great number of our leading residents. Along the slope by the side of the swimming bath at the eastern end of the quadrangle in which the sports were held, "The Grand Old Buffs" turned out in great strength, and amongst the white tunics of the soldiers we were glad to see a goodly sprinkling of the blue jackets of the sailors from the American men-of-war in harbour. The band of the regiment was in attendance and played a choice musical selection in excellent form during the afternoon.

Proceedings commenced with a bout at fencing between Instructor Mulholland and Colour Sergeant Giles, both men playing rather wildly, although the veteran Mulholland carried by far too many guns for his opponent. Lieutenant D'Aeth with the broadsword opposed Captain Davis with the bayonet, and after a rather rough-and-tumble business, the honors were about evenly divided. Sword versus bayonet is a favorite item with professors at assault-arms in England, but in skillful hands the bayonet almost invariably comes off victor. Private Lewis had a gay time when he faced Instructor

Mulholland for a turn with single sticks, and do both justice, the old man used his superior skill with great consideration whilst the younger took his gruel pluckily, and without once showing temper. Privates Ashworth and Chamberlain pounded each other manfully with the gloves, and made up for lack of science by the thoroughness with which both meant genuine business. In the broadsword contest, Mulholland was far too good for Sergeant Giles; still it was not all one way, as the last named broke down the Instructor's defence several times, and had very little the worst of the encounter at the finish. The old English game of quarter-staff produced a stiff tussle between Privates Holland and Sheepwash, the latter ultimately receiving an injury to one of his hands which necessitated his retirement. The first half of the programme terminated with the well-known gymnastic performance, the vaulting horse, in which officers, non-commissioned officers and men, showed considerable ability, and were heartily applauded.

The second part of the entertainment began with bayonet exercise by a squad of the regiment, the precision with which every movement was performed showing that the men had been thoroughly drilled. The "fencing and salute," in which Lieut. D'Aeth, Sergeants Mulholland, and Western, Corporal Mann, and Privates Lewis and Chamberlain took part, was exceedingly well done, and merited the applause which came from all sides. Colour Sergeant Giles showed more skill in the matter of the bayonet than Private Jones, but the latter had the advantage in strength and stamina, and generally got the best of the game when it came to close quarters. When the younger combatant got his opponent into trouble, he was rewarded by cheers and laughter from his comrades, who evidently enjoyed seeing their superior officer "getting it hot." After a fencing bout between the Instructor and one of his pupils, the first named had another turn with the sticks against Lewis. Four others eventually joining in and belabouring each other with great gusto amidst shouts of laughter from the spectators. The ubiquitous Jones was again to the fore in a boxing bout with Private Holland, a far heavier and more powerful man. Like their predecessors in the "manly art" these two "professors" made up for their lack of skill by hitting each other all over the ring. Holland, with his superiority in weight and strength, ought to have smothered his opponent easily, but as he appeared unable to make any use of his right hand, and always left his face unprotected when he popped in his left, whilst Jones made some sort of a show using both hands, at the finish the younger man had a long way to the best of the points. The entertainment concluded with performances on the parallel and horizontal bars, in which Instructor Mulholland, Lieutenants D'Aeth, Daughish and Lloyd and one of two others, whose names we were unable to obtain, took part. The various gymnastic feats were gone through in a very graceful style, and reflected credit on all concerned.

Taken altogether the assault-at-arms was a most successful one, and we have to tender our acknowledgments to the "The Buffs" for providing such an enjoyable afternoon's amusement.

A LEKIN OUTRAGE.

We have long endeavored to ignore the idea of the loss of prestige by foreigners resident in Fochow, chiefly owing to the fact of articles appearing in several of our contemporaries exaggerating occurrences, and making groundless accusations of dilatoriness on the part of our Consular representatives. Nevertheless, since the outrage in which Messrs. Sassoon & Co. were sufferers, the unenviable position in which the community were placed during the Ghiani controversy, and several questions concerning the purchase of land from the Chinese, we cannot help feeling a certain amount of uneasiness as to the utility and relative standing (?) that foreigners will occupy with the natives of this province.

A most flagrant case has recently come under our notice, and one requiring cognizance, as a grosser violation of Treaty rights it would be difficult to conceive.

It appears that by the C.M.S.N. Co.'s *Hashing*, which arrived from Shanghai on the 12th April, there were a considerable amount of piece goods and other articles belonging to the firm of Messrs. Hing Hong Take & Co., British merchants at this place, who were paying duty to the Imperial Customs, instructed their boatmen to convey such goods to their go-down, situated on the other side of the Bridge. Whilst the boat containing this merchandise was proceeding to her destination, and just a short distance above the small bridge, she was seized by the Lekin officers—her cargo confiscated and landed, and one of the boatmen retained in custody. A complaint was of course directly lodged with Her Majesty's Consul, who we understand, made an immediate restoration of the property, and an explanation regarding the matter. The Lekin Authorities have treated the application with frivolous excuses for not affording an interview and hence, we consider, contempt to Her Majesty's representative. Our worthy Consul is justly absolved from all blame, and the question now at issue ought to receive the immediate attention of those higher Authorities to whom a contemporary has recently referred as being unanswerable for Fochow's declining prestige.

The cunning diplomacy characteristic of the Chinese, will however, in the present instance, fail to prove lucrative to their revenue, as the justly aggrieved merchant, is one whose long residence in their midst has rendered him thoroughly conversant with Chinese transactions, and this knowledge, added to a sound judgment concerning his rights as a British subject, will render it, we opine, rather difficult for the Lekin Officials to wriggle out of the offence they have committed, without making heavy pecuniary reparation.

Indeed it becomes questionable whether, under the circumstances, it would not have been advisable to immediately have apprehended the violators of the Treaty, upon a charge of actual felony; the case being so patent as not to admit of defence; and as the Lekin Authorities are answerable for the wrongful acts of their servants, they alone would have been liable to punishment by incarceration, and hence an excellent example would have been set to those who in the present it is too late to prevent, it is next to impossible to assess adequately the damages sustained, as presuming that the merchant in question had entered into a contract to supply the goods in question (which we estimate at \$4,500 in value) within a specified period, and that there was a penal clause in the Agreement for non-fulfilment of the contract, the loss through delay would be probably half again this amount; whilst the reputation of the House might suffer to an incalculable extent; and the claim for consequential damages would certainly be upheld by assessors.

We even hear that the Lekin Official, to whose instigation this merchandise was seized, has since received promotion, but *à la chinoise*, immediately it comes to the restoration of the property, and the payment of an indemnity to the owner, he will probably be degraded even beneath his former position.

The case is aggravated by the fact that the firm in question has frequently been compelled to lodge complaints of a similar nature, and

for a turn with single sticks, and do both justice, the old man used his superior skill with great consideration whilst the younger took his gruel pluckily, and without once showing temper. Privates Ashworth and Chamberlain pounded each other manfully with the gloves, and made up for lack of science by the thoroughness with which both meant genuine business. In the broadsword contest, Mulholland was far too good for Sergeant Giles; still it was not all one way, as the last named broke down the Instructor's defence several times, and had very little the worst of the encounter at the finish. The old English game of quarter-staff produced a stiff tussle between Privates Holland and Sheepwash, the latter ultimately receiving an injury to one of his hands which necessitated his retirement. The first half of the programme terminated with the well-known gymnastic performance, the vaulting horse, in which officers, non-commissioned officers and men, showed considerable ability, and were heartily applauded.

OLD TIME BUILDING.

The Swatow or rather the original built their huge junks in China, but as they required a time to time, they found it better to build in Siam. Teak lumber was then cheap as it was abundant. Borneo was then a market for little in the way of what it was at home. So after a series of prosperous voyages, the *chua* or *chua*, as the rich man was called, would enter upon the construction of a brand new junk. We will step in upon him and note the process.

A suitable dockyard was rented. In the centre of this yard was the mud dock itself, in which the water rose and fell with every tide. A strong dam was built across the front. The dock was built on the mud, and the beams laid across the bottom for the coming junk to rest upon, and that part of the place was then ready. Around the sides of the yard were built a large number of cheap sheds; these were for the accommodation of the workmen and for carrying on various forms of work, storage of material, &c. Even the *chua* had his office here. In one of these miserable matchsheds he kept his books, made his contracts and paid out his money; sheds were devoted to cooking, and all hands took their meals together, junkowner, supercargo, clerks, carpenters, seamen, and caulkers, all eating substantially of the same dishes.

It was noteworthy how everything was made out of the material. Nearly everything needed for the junk was manufactured on the premises. The lime and oil for the caulking and the Chinese work generally were mixed in one of the sheds. The ropes were twisted by the employees. Even the blacksmith-work, in some instances, was done on the ground. But more especially the lumber was all sawed on the ground. The goods of logs were purchased in the country and brought alongside to be hauled up and sawed according to the necessities of each stage of the work. The head carpenters would calculate what kind of a beam or a board they wanted and have it sawed to meet the case. There was a general plan in their mind, but they modified it a little as they went on, and as they found it necessary they adapted themselves to a bulge here and a bulge there. In the end the junk might not be exactly the shape they intended. Nevertheless, it suited just as well, and perhaps better. The planks were nailed together at the edges in a manner which gave great support. Sometimes the planks were ahead of the ribs, and so the huge mass went slowly up, first rib and then planks, and then plank and then rib. Square nails were used for round holes; but in their estimation, that didn't matter. It was the fault of the augers which wouldn't make square holes. It had not yet occurred to them to use round spikes for round holes. Numerous bulkheads were put in, and the sides of the junk were added further on. These served a double purpose; they not only gave strength and stiffness to the junk, but made numerous compartments, very convenient for the storage of cargo. The driving, and even furious energy, with which this work was carried on was exhilarating in that land of laziness. Day and night the rush and hurry continued, for the junk must be done at a certain time. Everything was in the roughest form. There was no planning, no neat finishing to anything. The one single aim was to make the huge scow seaworthy.

The one thing, however, which best exhibited the peculiar enterprise and boldness of the Swatow men was the getting up of the mast. One great tree, eighty or ninety feet long, and from two and a half to three feet thick at the base, of heavy hardwood, was prepared as a mainmast. It was then hauled on deck by means of various windlasses, and amid a deafening clamour of voices. The foot of the mast was placed in position on the deck over the socket into which it was to be forced, and rest; the other end reached out over the stern. But the interesting feature of the mast was a square hole morticed nearly half way through it, and a short distance above the foot of it. Into this hole was put a tenon of iron-wood, reaching out more than a foot from the mast, and forming a sort of shoulder on the under side. A huge rope nearly a foot in diameter made specially for the purpose, passed under this shoulder. One end of it was secured on one side of the ship, and the other end was coiled around a post on the other side, and then tied with a smaller rope, which could be cut with one blow of the hatchet.

All was now ready, and the work of lifting into position commenced. A pair of long shears made of two trees stood forward, and were connected with the windlass. Guy ropes were also provided. In due time the really daring feat commenced. Slowly the top end of the mast rose in the air; the lower end descended a little into the V-shaped socket until the shoulder rested on the big rope referred to. In a short time the entire weight of the mast was on this rope under the tenon. As length, it became perpendicular. Now was the critical moment. The excitement and anxiety were great. The chief builder was running fore and aft, and then off on the bank looking at the mast from all sides to see that it was exactly in position. The guy ropes were tightened a little here and slackened a little there, until the builder was satisfied. Now then, everybody kept still, and let nobody move. The signal was given. One stroke of the hatchet severed one end of the rope. The tremendous weight of the mast caused it to uncoil, but the coils were sufficiently numerous to prevent too rapid a descent. Notwithstanding this, the mast fell almost suddenly a distance of six or seven feet. It went into its place with a tremendous thud which made the junk quiver from stem to stern. To an observer it seemed impossible to prevent its going directly through the bottom of the vessel. But the head of the mast did not quite reach the bottom. It was wedged in the V-shaped frame, and the force of the fall, which operated laterally, and not downward. This operation of planting the mast was done after the junk had been hauled out of the dock, as the elasticity of a water bed was needed to prevent the ill effect of too great a concussion.

In due time the new junk was moored in the stream, ready for cargo, and bound for China. One way of providing capital characteristic of the Chinese—Hundred settlers in Siam who wished to send money to their friends in China paid the sum into the hands of the supercargo. He issued certificates of deposit payable in China after the cargo was sold. It was expected, of course, that the money would be invested in cargo. The business of carrying these certificates to China, and distributing them, formed a business for special class of bill-brokers who went to and fro with the junk and who undertook also to collect and deliver the *Shui* or *Shui*.

There being no questions. The Chairman then proposed:—That the Report and Accounts of the Association for the year ending 31st December, 1882, as presented, be accepted and passed. Mr. A. J. M. Inverarity seconded. Carried unanimously. Mr. J. M. Young—I beg to propose:—That Mr. F. D. Hitch be elected Chairman, and that Messrs. Meyerink, Lucas, Inverarity and Wheeler, be elected Directors, to serve until the next annual general meeting. Mr. J. D. Thorburn seconded. Carried unanimously. The Chairman—I have now the third and last proposition to make, and that is:—That Mr. Augustus White be elected Auditor to serve until the next annual general meeting. Mr. Meyerink seconded. Carried unanimously. The Chairman—Gentlemen, that concludes the business, and the dividend warrants will be payable the day after to-morrow. Mr. Young proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman, and the proceedings terminated. *Mercury.*

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

An extraordinary meeting of the shareholders in the above company was held to-day, (May 1st) at noon, in the office of the general agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., when there were present:—Messrs. J. J. Bell, Irving (Chairman), F. D. Sassoon, D. McCulloch, H. Foss, A. E. Vaulcher, E. M. Alford, W. M. May, G. C. Cox, C. S. Taylor, Douglas Jones, and H. Maclean (Secretary).

The secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, the minutes of the previous meeting, held on the 16th ult., were confirmed.

Mr. Bell, Irving proposed, seconded by Mr. F. D. Sassoon:—

1.—That the Capital of the China Sugar Refining Company, Limited, be increased from \$600,000 to \$800,000 by the issue of 2000 new Shares of \$100 each to be issued at par.

Carried.

Mr. F. D. Sassoon proposed, seconded by Mr. Foss:—

2.—That the price of issue of each of the said new shares be fully paid up by the Aliotees at the time named for that purpose by the General Agents.

Carried.

Mr. Douglas Jones proposed, seconded by Mr. McCulloch:—

3.—That the said new shares be offered in the first instance in such manner, and at such times, as the General Agents shall think fit, to the persons who shall on the 26th day of May, 1883, be the registered holders of the old or present shares, in the proportion of one new share for every two of the old or present shares; and accepted, or not, within the time limited for that purpose by the General Agents; and that any new share, or shares, which shall have been offered in manner aforesaid, and not accepted within the time limited for that purpose by the General Agents shall be disposed of, and allotted by the General Agents and Consulting Committee at such times, to such persons, at such prices, upon such terms, as to the amount of dividend to be paid thereon, or otherwise, and generally in such manner and way in every respect as they shall in their discretion direct in the interests of the Company.

Mr. E. F. Alford proposed, seconded by Mr. A. E. Vaulcher:—

4.—That subject without prejudice to any direction of the General Agents and Consulting Committee as to the contrary made in pursuance of the immediate preceding resolution, holders of the time being of the said new shares shall be entitled, as from the date of acceptance thereof, to participate in the dividend for the year 1882 to the extent hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—

Notwithstanding anything in the Articles of Association, contained to the contrary the affairs of the Company for the year 1883 shall be investigated and a calculation of the amount of profit made in manner provided by the Articles of Association for the 6th Calendar month ending on the 30th June, 1883, and the dividend thereon, for the time being of the said old or present shares, shall be paid to the holders of the said new shares on the 1st day of July, 1883, and the dividend for the year 1882 shall, after being ascertained, be paid to the holders of the said new shares on the 1st day of July, 1883.

by a short head; a length dividing second and third. Time 1:38.

CATHAY CUP, value, Tls. 150; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5. One Mile and a Half.

Mr. Stephen's b. Oriole 11st. 1lb. Mr. Reynell 1
Mr. Minor Lake's gr. Peculator 11st. 1lb. Mr. Pond 2
Mr. Paul's dun Tajmahal, 11st. 8lbs. Mr. Bidwell 3
Mr. Bill's bay Second Violin, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Brandt 0
Ms. Pallet's gr. St. Julien, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Leitchford 0
Mr. St. Vincent's bay Ambassador, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hutchings 0

Oriole went off with the lead, made the whole of the running, and won in a common canter; Tajmahal was a fair third. Time 1:32.

THE JOCKEY CUP, value, Tls. 100; for China Ponies that have never won a Race; to be ridden by jockeys who have never had a winning mount before this morning; weight, 11st; entrance, Tls. 5. Once Round.

Mr. St. Vincent's gr. Triumph, Mr. Sampson 1
Mr. Avly's bk. Black Diamond Mr. Wintle 2
Mr. Henry's gr. Salathiel, Mr. Malherbe 3
Mr. Cabell's gr. Transvaal, Mr. Shepard 0
Mr. Bill's wh. Spiccate, (late Highland Fling) Mr. Gebhardt 0
Mr. Tell's roan. Lucifer, Mr. Hart-Buck 0
Mr. Toeg's gr. Jupiter, Mr. Dallas 0
Mr. Toeg's gr. Saturn, Mr. Rutledge 0
Mr. Lawson's dun Colonel, Mr. Wilson 0

At the Monument Mr. Sampson sent Triumph to the front, and making the remainder of the running with great ease from Black Diamond, with Salathiel a good third. Time 2:54.

THE TAO-TAI CUP, value, \$100, presented by H.E. the Taoist; for China Ponies; weight, 12st; entrance, Tls. 5. One Mile.

Mr. Bill's gr. Allegro, Mr. Gun 1
Mr. St. Andrew's dun Merry Monk, Mr. Allen 2
Mr. Edmund's br. Mufi, Mr. Baker 3
Mr. Paul's br. Shamrock, Mr. Nickels 0
Mr. Tell's bay East Wind, Mr. Bidwell 0

Allegro started favorite at 6 to 4. After going a quarter of a mile Allegro took the lead from Shamrock which he maintained to the finish and won easily from Merry Monk. Time 2:15.

THE KIANG-SU PLATE, value, Tls. 150; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5. One Mile and Three-Quarters.

Mr. Fungus' gr. Prejudice 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Pond 1
Mr. Henry's gr. Rialto 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Nicholson 2
Mr. St. Andrew's ch. Driving Cloud 11st. 1lb. Mr. Allan 3
Mr. Bill's dun Pizicato 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Paul's gr. Castigator 11st. 1lb. Mr. Nickels 0

Prejudice won by several lengths, a fine race for second place ending in favor of Rialto by half a length. Time 4:22.

THE RACING STAKES, a Sweepstakes of Tls. 10 each; for China Ponies that have never run before 1st January, 1883; weight for inches as per scale; winners 5lbs. extra. One Mile and a Quarter.

Mr. Fungus' gr. Pebble 11st. 1lb. Mr. Pond 1
Mr. Fungus' gr. Peppo 11st. 1lb. Mr. Wintle 2
Mr. Arthur's gr. Belgavia 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hutchings 3
Mr. Scraph's dun Monarch of the East 10st. 1lb. Mr. Reynell 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Allegro, 11st. 2lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Armin's gr. Maximilian 11st. 1lb. Mr. Eblers 0
Mr. Bill's wh. Spiccate 10st. 13lb. Mr. Brandt 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Animato 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Paul's gr. Hornpipe 11st. 2lb. Mr. Nickels 0
Mr. Kelly's dun Rosemary 10st. 12lb. Mr. Dallas 0

Mr. Kelly's ch. Myrtle 11st. 1lb. Mr. Dunman 0
Mr. Toeg's br. Sutoria 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hunt 0

Won easily by several lengths; half a length between second and third. Time 2:55.

SECOND DAY—TUESDAY, MAY 1ST, 1883.

The weather was much better to-day although the course, notwithstanding the care which had been bestowed on it, was still in very indifferent order. And yet some really good times were made. Dandolo, despite his penalty, added the Chu-Ka-Za Cup to his yesterday's victory, but it was a very close thing between the spotted one and Picaron, and it almost looked as if Mr. Bidwell had been for once caught napping. The Derby resulted in a great surprise as it was looked upon as a real good thing for Pebble; however, the favorite was actually never in the hunt and Torpedo romped away from his field, eventually cantering in about ten lengths ahead of Belgavia in 3:16—very good time considering the sticky going. Mr. Reynell was the fortunate winner of the Ladies' Purse, a very beautiful work of art, being presented to the successful jockey by Miss Blanche Pickwood. That sterling racer Tajmahal, ridden by Mr. Bidwell, won the Race Club Cup in 4:33 under great difficulties, the jockey, owing to the girls not having been tightened, riding the greater part of the journey with his feet out of the stirrups. Pebble put too much for Allegro and Jolly Friar in the Shanghai Stakes, this making his fourth victory in that important race. Mr. Arthur scored a win with Piccadilly in the Concordia Cup, and finished second with Pall Mall to Gracchus in the Taitle Cup, Mr. Joss's dun winning the last named event by a couple of lengths. Weatclur, ridden by his owner, cleverly beat Second Violin and seven others in the Spring Cup, and the day's sport was brought to a conclusion by the easy victory of Northeast in the Roadsters Plate. Particulars are as follows:

THE CHU-KA-ZA CUP, value, Tls. 100; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winners of one Race in China or Hongkong since 1st October, 1882, 7lbs. extra; two or more Races, 10lbs. extra; entrance, Tls. 5. Half a Mile.

Mr. King's spid. Dandolo 11st. 2lbs. (incl. 7lbs. ex.) Mr. Meyerink 1
Mr. Joss's gr. Picaron 11st. 1lb. Mr. Bidwell 2
Mr. St. Andrew's dun Merry Monk 12st. (incl. 10lbs. ex.) Mr. Allan 3
Mr. Rodney's ch. Adventurer 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Hart-Buck 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Allegro 11st. 11lbs. (incl. 10lbs. ex.) Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Pallet's gr. Thingummy 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Wintle 0
Mr. St. Vincent's gr. General 11st. 1lb. Mr. Hutchings 0
Mr. Tell's bay East Wind 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hutchings 0
Mr. Toeg's gr. Mercury 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Hunt 0
Mr. Lawson's dun Colonel 11st. 1lb. Mr. Wilson 0

Picaron and Dandolo singled themselves out at the finish, and a determined struggle ensued. Mr. Bidwell appeared to have the best of it at last, but the judge's fiat was a head in favor of Dandolo. Time 5:81 seconds—very fast indeed for the course.

THE SHANGHAI DERBY, a Sweepstakes of Tls. 15 each, with Tls. 100 added; for China Ponies being bona fide Griffins at date of entry; first Pony to receive 75 per cent; second Pony, 15 per cent; third Pony, 10 per cent; weight for inches as per scale. One Mile and a Half.

Mr. St. Andrew's dun Torpedo 10st. 6lbs. Mr. Hutchings 1
Mr. Scraph's dun Monarch of the East 10st. 1lb. Mr. Reynell 2
Mr. Toeg's gr. Pebble 11st. 1lb. Mr. Bidwell 3
Mr. Fungus' gr. Spiritus 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Spiritus 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Godolphin's gr. Safety 11st. 1lb. Mr. Symons 0
Mr. Paul's dun Tajmahal, 11st. 8lbs. Mr. Bidwell 3
Mr. Bill's bay Second Violin, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Brandt 0
Ms. Pallet's gr. St. Julien, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Leitchford 0
Mr. St. Vincent's bay Ambassador, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hutchings 0

Oriole went off with the lead, made the whole of the running, and won in a common canter; Tajmahal was a fair third. Time 1:32.

THE JOCKEY CUP, value, Tls. 100; for China Ponies that have never won a Race; to be ridden by jockeys who have never had a winning mount before this morning; weight, 11st; entrance, Tls. 5. Once Round.

Mr. St. Vincent's gr. Triumph, Mr. Sampson 1
Mr. Avly's bk. Black Diamond Mr. Wintle 2
Mr. Henry's gr. Salathiel, Mr. Malherbe 3
Mr. Cabell's gr. Transvaal, Mr. Shepard 0
Mr. Bill's wh. Spiccate, (late Highland Fling) Mr. Gebhardt 0
Mr. Tell's roan. Lucifer, Mr. Hart-Buck 0
Mr. Toeg's gr. Jupiter, Mr. Dallas 0
Mr. Toeg's gr. Saturn, Mr. Rutledge 0
Mr. Lawson's dun Colonel, Mr. Wilson 0

At the Monument Mr. Sampson sent Triumph to the front, and making the remainder of the running with great ease from Black Diamond, with Salathiel a good third. Time 2:54.

THE TAO-TAI CUP, value, \$100, presented by H.E. the Taoist; for China Ponies; weight, 12st; entrance, Tls. 5. One Mile.

Mr. Bill's gr. Allegro, Mr. Gun 1
Mr. St. Andrew's dun Merry Monk, Mr. Allen 2
Mr. Edmund's br. Mufi, Mr. Baker 3
Mr. Paul's br. Shamrock, Mr. Nickels 0
Mr. Tell's bay East Wind, Mr. Bidwell 0

Allegro started favorite at 6 to 4. After going a quarter of a mile Allegro took the lead from Shamrock which he maintained to the finish and won easily from Merry Monk. Time 2:15.

THE KIANG-SU PLATE, value, Tls. 150; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5. One Mile and Three-Quarters.

Mr. Fungus' gr. Prejudice 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Pond 1
Mr. Henry's gr. Rialto 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Nicholson 2
Mr. St. Andrew's ch. Driving Cloud 11st. 1lb. Mr. Allan 3
Mr. Bill's dun Pizicato 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Paul's gr. Castigator 11st. 1lb. Mr. Nickels 0

Prejudice won by several lengths, a fine race for second place ending in favor of Rialto by half a length. Time 4:22.

THE RACING STAKES, a Sweepstakes of Tls. 10 each; for China Ponies that have never run before 1st January, 1883; weight for inches as per scale; winners 5lbs. extra. One Mile and a Quarter.

Mr. Fungus' gr. Pebble 11st. 1lb. Mr. Pond 1
Mr. Fungus' gr. Peppo 11st. 1lb. Mr. Wintle 2
Mr. Arthur's gr. Belgavia 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hutchings 3
Mr. Scraph's dun Monarch of the East 10st. 1lb. Mr. Reynell 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Allegro, 11st. 2lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Armin's gr. Maximilian 11st. 1lb. Mr. Eblers 0
Mr. Bill's wh. Spiccate 10st. 13lb. Mr. Brandt 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Animato 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Paul's gr. Hornpipe 11st. 2lb. Mr. Nickels 0
Mr. Kelly's dun Rosemary 10st. 12lb. Mr. Dallas 0

Mr. Kelly's ch. Myrtle 11st. 1lb. Mr. Dunman 0
Mr. Toeg's br. Sutoria 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hunt 0

Won easily by several lengths; half a length between second and third. Time 2:55.

Mr. St. Andrew's dun Torpedo 10st. 6lbs. Mr. Hutchings 1
Mr. Scraph's dun Monarch of the East 10st. 1lb. Mr. Reynell 2
Mr. Toeg's gr. Pebble 11st. 1lb. Mr. Bidwell 3
Mr. Fungus' gr. Spiritus 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Spiritus 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Godolphin's gr. Safety 11st. 1lb. Mr. Symons 0
Mr. Paul's dun Tajmahal, 11st. 8lbs. Mr. Bidwell 3
Mr. Bill's bay Second Violin, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Brandt 0
Ms. Pallet's gr. St. Julien, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Leitchford 0
Mr. St. Vincent's bay Ambassador, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hutchings 0

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Mr. St. Andrew's dun Merry Monk, Mr. Allen 2
Mr. Edmund's br. Mufi, Mr. Baker 3
Mr. Paul's br. Shamrock, Mr. Nickels 0
Mr. Tell's bay East Wind, Mr. Bidwell 0

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Mr. Henry's gr. Rialto 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Nicholson 2
Mr. St. Andrew's ch. Driving Cloud 11st. 1lb. Mr. Allan 3
Mr. Bill's dun Pizicato 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Paul's gr. Castigator 11st. 1lb. Mr. Nickels 0

Prejudice won by several lengths, a fine race for second place ending in favor of Rialto by half a length. Time 4:22.

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Mr. Fungus' gr. Pebble 11st. 1lb. Mr. Pond 1
Mr. Fungus' gr. Peppo 11st. 1lb. Mr. Wintle 2
Mr. Arthur's gr. Belgavia 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hutchings 3
Mr. Scraph's dun Monarch of the East 10st. 1lb. Mr. Reynell 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Allegro, 11st. 2lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Armin's gr. Maximilian 11st. 1lb. Mr. Eblers 0
Mr. Bill's wh. Spiccate 10st. 13lb. Mr. Brandt 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Animato 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Paul's gr. Hornpipe 11st. 2lb. Mr. Nickels 0
Mr. Kelly's dun Rosemary 10st. 12lb. Mr. Dallas 0

Mr. Kelly's ch. Myrtle 11st. 1lb. Mr. Dunman 0
Mr. Toeg's br. Sutoria 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hunt 0

Won easily by several lengths; half a length between second and third. Time 2:55.

THE LADIES' PURSE, value, —; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5. One Mile and a Quarter.

Mr. Stephen's bay Oriole 11st. 1lb. Mr. Reynell 1
Mr. Paul's bay Sunlight 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Wintle 2
Mr. Minor Lake's gr. Peculator 11st. 1lb. Mr. Pond 3
Mr. St. Andrew's wh. Bondsman, 11st. 1lb. Mr. Allan 0
Mr. Bill's bay Second Violin 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Brandt 0
Mr. Paul's ch. Montezuma 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Bidwell 0
Mr. St. Vincent's gr. Triumph 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Hutchings 0
Mr. Vyvyan's gr. Astronomer 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Gun 3
Mr. Kelly's gr. Syringa 11st. 1lb. Mr. Dunman 0
Mr. Toeg's gr. Saturn 10st. 12lbs. Mr. Rutledge 0

After a splendid race Oriole won by half a length, with Peculator beaten two lengths for second place. Time 2:44.

THE RACE CLUB CUP, value, Tls. 150; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winners at this Meeting of a Race of one mile or under, to carry 3lbs. extra; over a mile, 7lbs. extra; over two miles, 10lbs. extra; entrance, Tls. 5. Two Miles.

Mr. Paul's dun Tajmahal 11st. 1lb. Mr. Bidwell 1
Mr. Henry's gr. Rialto 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Nicholson 2
Mr. Paul's br. Shamrock 10st. 12lb. Mr. Wintle 3
Mr. St. Andrew's ch. Driving Cloud 11st. 1lb. Mr. Allan 0
Mr. Bill's dun Pizicato 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Paul's gr. Castigator 11st. 1lb. Mr. Nickels 0

Driving Cloud was backed at even against the field. Tajmahal was kept in the rear until entering the straight the last time, where Mr. Bidwell let him out, and the old pony immediately plied the issue beyond doubt, eventually winning in a canter. Time 4:33.

THE SHANGHAI STAKES, a forced entry of Tls. 10 for all Ponies, except those entered in the Roadsters Plate; first Pony to receive seventy-five per cent; second Pony, fifteen per cent; third Pony, ten per cent; weight for inches as per scale. Once Round.

Mr. Fungus' gr. Prejudice 10st. 12lb. Mr. Pond 1
Mr. Bill's gr. Allegro, 11st. 2lb. Mr. Gun 2
Mr. St. Andrew's gr. Jolly Friar, 11st. 7lb. Mr. Nickels 3
Mr. St. Vincent's bay Ambassador, 11st. 4lb. Mr. Sampson 0
Mr. Arthur's gr. Cheapside, 10st. 13lb. Mr. Hutchings 0
Mr. Wynne's gr. Footlight, 11st. 4lb. Mr. Wintle 0
Mr. Cabell's gr. Transvaal, 11st. 1lb. Mr. Rutledge 0

After a good race Prejudice beat Allegro by a length and a half, with Jolly Friar a fair third, Ambassador fourth and Cheapside fifth. Time 2:38.

THE CONCORDIA CUP, value, Tls. —, presented by Members of the Club Concordia; second Pony to receive 40 per cent, and the third Pony, 20 per cent of the Entrance Fees; for China Ponies, bona fide Griffins at date of entry; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 10. One Mile and a Half.

Mr. Arthur's gr. Piccadilly 11st. 1lb. Mr. Dallas 1
Mr. Avly's bl. Black Diamond 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Symons 2
Mr. Tell's roan. Lucifer 10st. 13lb. Mr. Rugg 3
Mr. Kesteven's gr. V. C. 11st. 7lbs. Mr. Easton 0
Mr. Armin's gr. Maximilian 11st. 1lb. Mr. Eblers 0
Mr. Bill's gr. Animato 11st. 2lbs. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Henry's ch. Stiletto 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Nicholson 0
Mr. Gore-Booth's gr. Asbestos 11st. 1lb. Mr. Baker 0
Mr. Kelly's dun Rosemary 11st. 7lbs. Mr. Dunman 0
Mr. Kelly's ch. Myrtle 11st. 2lbs. Mr. Bidwell 0
Mr. Toeg's gr. Jupiter 11st. 1lb. Mr. Rutledge 0
Mr. Ring's gr. Sulla 11st. 7lbs. Mr. Malherbe 0
Won in a canter by several lengths. Time 3:20.

THE TSATLEE CUP, value, Tls. 160 presented by some of the Silk Inspectors of Shanghai, added to Sweepstakes of Tls. 10 each—For China Ponies that have never won a Race—Weight, 11st. 10lbs.; to give or take 6lbs. for every inch over or under—The winner to pay Tls. 50 to the fund. One Mile.

Mr. Joss's dun Gracchus, 11st. 6lbs. Mr. Meyerink 1
Mr. Arthur's gr. Pall Mall, 11st. 6lbs. Mr. Hutchings 2
Mr. Scraph's dun Monarch of the East, 10st. 1lb. Mr. Bidwell 3
Mr. Bill's dun Amoroso, 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Bill's wh. Spiccate (late Highland Fling), 11st. 1lb. Mr. Brandt 0
Mr. Paul's br. Sunlight, 11st. 1lb. Mr. Baker 0
Mr. Fernando's gr. Cowdenbeath, 11st. 6lb. Mr. Wintle 0
Mr. Chouleur's gr. Propeller, 11st. Mr. Grove 0
Mr. Kelly's ch. Vendetta, 11st. 6lb. Mr. Nicholson 0
Mr. Stephen's br. Uno, 11st. 6lb. Mr. Rutledge 0
Mr. Toeg's gr. Mercury, 11st. 6lb. Mr. Hunt 0
Mr. Minor Lake's dun Pirata, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Dallas 0

Won by two lengths; Hornpipe a fair third. Time 2:01.

THE SPRING CUP, value, Tls. 100; for China Ponies; winners in China or Hongkong at or since Autumn Meeting 1882, 5lbs. extra for each Race; weight for inches as per scale; entrance, Tls. 5. Three-Quarters of a Mile.

Mr. Minor Lake's gr. Peculator, 11st. 1lb. Mr. Pond 1
Mr. Bill's bay Second Violin, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Gun 2
Mr. Pallet's gr. La Rose, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Bidwell 3
Mr. Joss's gr. Picaron, 11st. Mr. Bidwell 0
Mr. Edmund's br. Mufi, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Baker 0
Mr. Henry's gr. Satellite, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Nicholson 0
Mr. Stephen's gr. Grando, 11st. 7lbs. Mr. Reynell 0
Mr. Tell's bay East Wind, 11st. 4lbs. Mr. Rugg 0
Mr. Vyvyan's gr. Astronomer, 10st. 12lb. Mr. Wintle 0

Won by two lengths; a fair third. Time 2:44.

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Won after a good race by two lengths; La Rose a middle third. Time 1:32.

THE ROADSTERS' PLATE, value, Tls. 100; for China Ponies (without the restriction to height specified in Bye Law No. 11) not otherwise entered at this meeting, and that have never won a Race; weight, 10st. 12lbs.; entrance, Tls. 5. Once Round.

Mr. Kesteven's gr. Northesk, Mr. Reynell 1
Mr. Henry's gr. Dictator, Mr. Nicholson 2
Mr. Edmund's gr. Memo, Mr. Dunman 3
Mr. Tytheleigh's gr. Omega, Mr. Easton 0
Mr. Bill's roan Staccato (late Scotch Reel), Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Edmund's gr. Swoop, Mr. Baker 0
Mr. Lawson's dun Major, Mr. Wilson 0
Won in canter by two lengths; a fair third. Time 2:44.

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Mr. Stephen's bay Oriole, 11st. 8lb. Mr. Reynell 2
Mr. Arthur's gr. Piccadilly, 11st. 1lb. Mr. Dallas 3
Mr. Kesteven's gr. V. C., 11st. 2lb. Mr. Easton 0
Mr. Bill's bay Second Violin, 11st. 4lb. Mr. Gun 0
Mr. Paul's dun Tajmahal, 11st. 5lb. Mr. Bidwell 0
Mr. Paul's gr. Hornpipe, 11st. 1lb. Mr. Baker 0
Mr. Arthur's gr. Belgavia, 11st. 4lb. Mr. Hutchings 0
Mr. Minor Lake's gr. Peculator, 11st. 5lb. Mr. Wintle 0

(Allowed 5lbs.) Torpedo was backed against the field and he won without being called upon by several lengths. Time 3:19.

THE GREAT NORTHERN PLATE, value, Tls. 100; for Ponies that have run at this Meeting; weight for inches as per scale; winner of one Race at this Meeting under 5lbs. extra; two or more Races, 10lbs. extra; entrance, Tls. 5. Seven Furlongs.

Mr. Bill's gr. Allegro 11st. 1lb. Mr. Gun 1
Mr. Arthur's gr. Pall Mall 10st. 12lb. Mr. Hutchings 2
Mr. Paul's ch. Montezuma 11st. 4lb. Mr. Bidwell 3
Mr. Rodney's ch. Adventurer 10st. 12lb. Mr. Wintle 0
Mr. Paul's ch. Mercurio 11st. 1lb. Mr. Dallas 0
Mr. St. Andrew's gr. Merry Monk 11st. 4lb. Mr. Allan 0
Mr. St. Vincent's gr. Triumph, 11st. 4lb. Mr. Sampson 0

Odds were laid on Allegro against the field, and these were never in doubt as Mr. Bill's pony had the race in hand throughout, and won in a canter. Time 1:50.

THE MANCHU STAKES, a Sweepstakes of Tls. 5 each, with Tls. 10 added; for China Ponies, being bona fide Griffins at date of entry, and have run and not won a Race; first Pony to receive 70 per cent; second Pony, 20 per cent; third Pony, 10 per cent; weight for inches as per scale. One Mile and a Quarter.

Mr. Arthur's gr. Belgavia 11st. 4lb. Mr. Hutchings 1
Mr. Ring's gr. Sulla 11st. 7lb. Mr. Meyerink 2
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Mr. Arthur's ch. Charing Cross 11st. 7lb. Mr. Dallas 0
Mr. Kelly's dun Rosemary 11st. 7lb. Mr. Sampson 0

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Won by two lengths; a fair third. Time 2:44.

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Won after a good race by two lengths; La Rose a middle third. Time 1:32.

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Mr. Edmund's gr. Memo, Mr. Dunman 3
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THE CORNET CUP, value, 100 Sovs.; presented by Messrs. Kerfoot and Mouat; for China Ponies; weight for inches as per scale; winners of a Race at this meeting, 4lbs. extra; two or more Races, 7lbs. extra; Griffins at date of entry allowed 5lbs.; entrance fee, Tls. 10 each; first Pony to receive 50 per cent; second Pony, 30 per cent; third Pony, 20 per cent of the entrance fees. One Mile and a Half.

Mr. St. Andrew's dun Torpedo, 10st. 6lb. Mr. Allan 1
Mr. Stephen's bay Oriole, 11st. 8lb. Mr. Reynell

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No. 401.

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 1883.

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THE Underigned have been instructed by the COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF ORDINANCE, China, to Sell by Public Auction,

TOMORROW.

the following Goods, at 11 o'clock, at Her Majesty's Stores, Queen's Road East.

THE FOLLOWING.

GOVERNMENT STORES.
CANVAS, CORDAGE, RUGS, CARPETS, IRON, COTTON, LINEN and WOOL, CLOTHES, STEEL, TIMBER, TIN, CASKS, PACKING CASES, ELEMENT BARRELS, TUNING, UMBRELLAS, BED MATS, VALER, 1' WOOD GYN, 18 feet with SS.

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TERMS OF SALE.

Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 17. All bids and errors of description at Purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer. All lots to be cleared within 48 hours.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Auctioneers. Hongkong, 8th May, 1883. [362]

PUBLIC AUCTION OF BOOKS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have been instructed to Sell by Public Auction, at the Court House, on

SATURDAY,

the 12th instant, at 2 O'CLOCK P.M.,

The LIBRARY of the late Mr. JUSTICE SNOWDEN.

Comprising:—

The Principal LAW BOOKS and General LITERATURE.

ALSO,

A Few BOOKS on CHINESE SUBJECTS, and MORISON'S CHINESE DICTIONARY. The BOOKS will be on view at the Court House on the 11th instant.

TERMS.—Cash.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Auctioneers. Hongkong, 2nd May, 1883. [348]

Notices of Firms.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE.

DURING my absence Mr. E. L. WOODIN is appointed by the MANAGING DIRECTORS to conduct the Business of this Company at Hongkong.

A. MCIVER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1883. [339]

NOTICE.

MR. ANTONIO JOSE DA FONSECA is AUTHORIZED to Sign my name per procuration from this date.

M. A. DOS REMEDIOS.

Macao, 26th April, 1883. [333]

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST of the late WILLIAM EDWARD HENRY DUNN in our Firm ceased on the 28th March last.

DUNN, MELBYE & Co.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1883. [358]

NOTICE.

DURING my absence from the Colony Messrs. LINDSEY & DAVIS will act as my ATTORNEYS.

GRANVILLE SHARP.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1883. [354]

NOTICE.

WITH reference to the late CHEA KAI TUNG, Manager and Partner of YEE CHONG HONG, No. 60, Bonham Strand, who left for Fokien to celebrate his mother's obsequies, but died a month after arrival there, at the request of his wife, concubine, son, &c., the settlement of the accounts of the above firm and deceased's private accounts, have, by the permission of the Supreme Court, been entrusted to GAN KONG POY, ON SING CHOW, and CHEA PHOO GEAN. Notice is given that the accounts up to the end of Yam Ng Year have been settled, and deceased's interest therein ended. The YEE CHONG HONG Firm's Partners are now as follows:—DOUGLAS JONES, LUM CHEU TO, LUM HUNG LIM, CHOI LIM SANG, CHONG KONG CHEUNG, LUM HOCK CHIN and CHEA HU KEE, &c.

GAN KONG POY, ON SING CHOW, CHEA PHOO GEAN, Trustees.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1883. [356]

Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A FIRST INTERIM BONUS of Twenty per cent. upon Contributions for the Year 1882 has this day been DECLARED. Warrants may be had on Application at the office of the Society on and after the 21st inst.

By order of the Board.

DOUGLAS JONES, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1883. [359]

INTIMATION.

SIGNOR ANTONIO CATTANEO, of the CONSERVATOIRE DE BERGAMO, and late of the ROYAL ITALIAN OPERA COMPANY, has the honor to inform the community that he has arranged to remain in Hongkong, and will give lessons in Music, Singing and the Pianoforte.

CHARGES STRICTLY MODERATE.

Address:—Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1883. [166]

Intimations.

KELLY & WALSH'S LIST OF NEWLY IMPORTED TOBACCOS AND CIGARETTES.

TOBACCOS.

RICHMOND GEM CURLY CUT. SWEET CAPORAL. HALF CAPORAL. CAPORALS. TRIPLE ALLIANCE. EXTRA BRIGHT VIRGINIA. LONG CUT VIRGINIA. TURKISH MIXTURE. COCK ROBIN. BRIGHT AMERICAN BIRD'S EYE. UGLY CUT (CAVENDISH). PERIQUE VIRGINIA MIXTURE. VETERAN. WILLS' BRISTOL BIRD'S EYE. HAVANA CIGARS OF THE CHOICEST BRANDS; MANILA CIGARS AND CHEROOTS, THOROUGHLY WELL SEASONED.

TOBACCOS—(CONTINUED.)

OLD JUDGE. HAPPY THOUGHT—Medium Strength. DOLLAR BRAND—Full Strength. STAR MIXTURE—Mild. GOLDEN EAGLE—Medium Strength.

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New Assortment of Cut Scraps. New Passe Partouts. Call Bells. New Photo Albums for Cabinets only. News Cutting Scrap Books. Canton Drawing Pencils in Boxes of 6 Grades. Skeleton Guard Books. Invoice Guard Books. Prepared Charcoal for Drawing.

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KELLY & WALSH—HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1883. [360]

W. BREWER.

HAS JUST RECEIVED.

MY QUEEN WALTZ. VIOLETTES, WALTZ. LE PREMIER PAS POLKA. ALL WALDTEUFEL'S WALTZES.

SWEETHEARTS' WALTZ. OFFICERS' WALTZ. TRUE TILL DEATH SONG. CRAMER'S DANCE ALBUMS.

NEW BOOKS.

BABER'S TRAVELS IN WESTERN CHINA.

MAX-MULLER'S INDIA.

CRANES LECTURES ON ART.

NEW PARLIAMENTARY BLUE BOOKS ON CHINA.

LECKY'S WRINKLES IN NAVIGATION.

PARALLEL NEW TESTAMENTS.

THE AUSTRALIANS IN ENGLAND.

LANDELL'S THROUGH SIBERIA.

GLAZEBROOK'S PHYSICAL OPTICS.

THE AGE OF FIRE AND GRAVEL BY DONNELLY.

SEDGWICK'S LIGHT.

GAELIC PROVERBS.

FOREIGN OFFICE LIST.

SWINBURNE'S POEMS AND BALLADS.

PROCTOR'S LEISURE READINGS.

CASSELL'S DICTIONARY OF COOKERY.

MARKHAM'S WAR BETWEEN PERU AND CHILI.

COAN'S LIFE IN HAWAII.

OSWALD'S ZOOLOGICAL STUDIES.

GRIFFITH'S CORRA.

BONWICK'S PORT PHILLIP SETTLEMENT.

NEW SYSTEMS OF LEARNING LANGUAGES.

ARTISTS' GOODS IN GREAT VARIETY.

BEZIQUE AND SQUEEZER PLAYING CARDS.

NEW FANCY GOODS.

W. BREWER, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [793]

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STRAW HATS AND BONNETS.

ALSO,

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31 AND 33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1883. [360]

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WHITE DRESS MATERIALS. CREAM DRESS MATERIALS. NUNS' VEILINGS in every Color. SUMMER BEIGES in every Color. GALATEAS for Boys' Washing Suits. WHITE INDIA MUSLINS. MULL CORD MUSLINS. WHITE VICTORIA LAWNS. BLACK and COLORED SUNSHADES. LADIES' PATENT LEATHER SLIPPERS. LADIES' CHILDREN'S BOOTS & SHOES.

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A LIBERAL DISCOUNT FOR CASH.

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Hongkong, 4th April, 1883. [249]

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BRASSCRAFT ARCADE.

Arms, Ammunitions, and Requisites of every description.

Arms Repaired, Cleaned, or Converted at moderate charges.

Shooting Guns and Ammunition always on hand.

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Hongkong, 2nd October, 1882. [165]

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

THE Steamship

"BENLEDI," Captain Ross, will be despatched as above, TO-MORROW, the 11th instant, at 12 NOON.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1883. [350]

FOR NAOGASAKI (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"BENARTY," Captain Le Bouthillier, will be despatched, on SATURDAY, the 12th instant, at FOUR P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1883. [364]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"JORGIE JUAN," Captain Thebaud, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 12th instant, at FIVE P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1883. [361]

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOCHOW.

THE Steamship

"KILLARNEY," will be despatched for the above Ports, on MONDAY AFTERNOON, the 14th instant, at FOUR O'CLOCK.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

AH YON & Co., 80, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1883. [368]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CRYSTAL," Captain R. A. Darling, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, at THREE P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1883. [365]

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to NEW ZEALAND, NEW CALEDONIA, FIJI and TASMANIA.)

THE Eastern and Australian Steamship Company's Clippers "GORDON CASTLE,"

Captain Waring, will be despatched as above, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at 4 P.M.

Parcels (all of which must be sent to our Office) will be received up to 4 P.M., on the 15th May.

Contents and Value of Packages, must be declared.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1883. [327]

NOUVELLE COMPAGNIE MARSEILLAISE DE NAVIGATION A VAPEUR.

THE Steamship

"LIBAN," Candolle, Commandeur, will sail on or about MONDAY, the 21st May, for MARSEILLES, via SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, and SUEZ, and with leave to call at PENANG and TUTICORIN. In connection with these Steamers the Company runs a Line from MARSEILLES to HAVRE and LONDON, leaving MARSEILLES after arrival of the Steamer from CHINA.

The Company also runs Steamers regularly from MARSEILLES to numerous Ports in the MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK SEA, by which through freight may be booked.

The Company has a Forwarding Agency at Paris, 9, Rue de Rougemont, giving special facilities to Shippers.

Each Steamer carries a Surgeon and Stewards.

FIRST-CLASS FARE TO MARSEILLES.....\$300.

SECOND-CLASS FARE TO MARSEILLES.....\$240.

RETURN TICKETS are now granted by the Steamers, this line available for the undermentioned periods, to be reckoned from the date of arrival at Marseilles of the Steamer for which the Ticket is issued to the date of re-embarkation there of the Holder of the Ticket.

1ST CLASS, 2ND CLASS.

6 Months.....\$520.....\$410.

12 ".....500.....445.

Special rates are arranged for Families.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883. [333]

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE American Bark

"C. B. HAZELTINE," Gilkey, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1883. [199]

FOR VICTORIA B.C. AND NEW TACOMA, W.T.

THE American Ship

"MERCURY," Panno, Master, will load here for the above Ports, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [324]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. I. American Bark

"PENOBSCOT," Easton, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1883. [301]

Shipping.

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE American Ship

"GUARDIAN," Fletcher, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1883. [303]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 3/3 L. I. American Ship

"WANDERING JEW," Talpey, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1883. [210]

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VIA

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND

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THE Steamship

"ARABIC," will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on MONDAY, the 21st instant, at THREE P.M.

Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M., the day previous to sailing.

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14, ESCOLTA, MANILA.

THE CANTON DISPENSARY, CANTON.

THE DISPENSARY, FOOCHEW.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

It is requested that all communications relating to Subscriptions, Advertisements, &c., be addressed to the "Manager, Hongkong Telegraph" and not to the Editor.

Letters on Editorial matters to be sent to "The Editor" and not to individual members of the staff.

Communications intended for publication must be accompanied by the name and address of the writers, not necessarily for publication; but as evidence of good faith.

Whilst the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always be open for the fair discussion of questions affecting public interests, it must be distinctly understood that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for opinions thus expressed.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Advertisers are requested to forward all notices intended for insertion in this day's issue not later than THREE O'CLOCK so as not to retard the early publication of the paper.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Arrangements have been made to publish The Hongkong Telegraph daily at 4 P.M. Subscribers in the central districts who do not receive their copies before FIVE O'CLOCK will oblige by at once communicating with the Manager.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1883.

It was CERVANTES, the brilliant author of "Don Quixote," who satirically remarked that "all persons are not discreet enough to take things by the right handle." To none of our local political, commercial and social reformers can this somewhat unique advice be more justly applied, than to Mr. F. BULKLEY JOHNSON, unofficial member of the Legislative Council, Chairman of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, &c., &c. It has been currently reported for some time past that Mr. JOHNSON will shortly take a permanent farewell of the Colony, and as we have good reasons for believing that this report is substantially correct, it will not be out of place to indulge in a general survey, and see for what benefits and improvements we are indebted to the honourable gentleman who came amongst us with such a flourish of trumpets more than two years ago.

When Mr. BULKLEY JOHNSON first posed at the Legislative Council meetings as an advocate of progressive measures, a radical reformer in the true sense of the term, we rejoiced greatly that the strength of the representatives of the public interests in the councils of the government had been so materially reinforced. The temporary occupant of the throne of "the princely house" lost no time in showing that he fully intended taking a prominent part in the management of the affairs of the colony; and the exposition of his general views were, according to his own showing, based on principles of such an enlightened and a liberal character that we felt justified in indulging in the hope that at last the routine of governmental red tape and arbitrary obstruction would receive a check. Unfortunately our anticipations were never practically realised. It is the mark of a great mind to be firm in matters of real weight and importance, and of a weak one to be inflexible in little things. Men of actual ability who accomplish great works in this world do not bow themselves with paltry squabbles, or indulge in remote and visionary aims; they mark out the course they have to follow and the work they have to accomplish, and steadily persevere through all difficulties and success crowns their efforts. Mr. BULKLEY JOHNSON quickly proved himself the reverse of all this; he introduced and propounded many sensible measures of practical reform, wasting many valuable hours in showering the fragrance of his polished eloquence on the desert air of the Council Chamber, wearying and worrying unappreciative and

wearied legislators, who were quite unable to follow the honourable gentleman's flights of fancy, but, excepting in private and personal squabbles of the *Erre et Haver* description, the decision and determination of the man of action were painfully conspicuous by their absence; and as a result, at the end of two years a political career, which might have been made the envy of his contemporaries, is unmarked by a single noteworthy action and can only be set down as a most disappointing failure. The self constituted representative of public interests who relies solely on fair words is like one who feeds the sick with an empty spoon and talks all the time about grief. Mr. JOHNSON has been incessantly talking, feeding the public with long drawn-out harangues advocating improvement and reforms, but his exertions have never gone beyond the region of empty words; he meant well no doubt, but he lacked the necessary discretion "to take things by the right handle."

We have frequently expressed our belief that Mr. BULKLEY JOHNSON was a well meaning reformer, whose want of success probably lay in the fact that his pretensions far exceeded his abilities. This, we think, has been shown on many occasions, and we need only refer to the Tramway scheme, which originated with Mr. JOHNSON, in proof of our assertion. When this measure was first brought forward the sanguine promoter confidently spoke of the whole business being settled within a few months. His overweening self-confidence blinded his better judgment, for we see that the tramway system has not yet become an accomplished fact, and from Mr. JOHNSON's latest utterances on the subject, we should imagine that the realisation of the honourable gentleman's hopes in that direction is as far off as ever. In looking round the island we are unable to see one single improvement for which we are indebted to this legislator from whom so much was expected. And yet Mr. BULKLEY JOHNSON has not been going about Hongkong for over two years with his eyes shut. We frankly concede that he has brought forward many schemes of reform and improvement well worthy of the attention of both the Government and the public, and we can only regret that, probably owing to differences with Sir JOHN POPE HENNESSY which apparently occupied a great deal of his spare time, he never made an opportunity of following up his practical suggestions.

In his celebrated oration at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce on March 14th, Mr. JOHNSON made the following observations, some of which are deserving of especial attention:—"I need not tell you," said the honourable member, "that the unofficial members of the Legislative Council are not representative in any sense. We are nominated by the Government, we have no real power, we cannot exercise any effective control over expenditure, and there is left to us only a very modified power of protest. We for the most part attend the meetings of the Council simply to register the foregone conclusions of the Executive, which conclusions are very often merely those of some departmental clerk in the Colonial Office. I think this is a state of things which in the present advanced position of the colony should not be allowed to continue, and I have taken this opportunity of referring to the subject because, I think that with the advent of a new Governor some steps should be taken to obtain some measure of control over our own affairs. Had there been any popular element in the Government of the Colony, I would ask if it would have been possible for an administration of mischievous incapacity to stay the progress of necessary public works, to postpone measures of sanitation and education, and deprive us of an adequate supply of water during its full term of office? And though I desire to speak with all respect of the able men who are now administering the affairs of the colony, and who are doing their best to make up the loss of the past five years there is much required to be done which is not in their programme or possibly within their power. I would ask what is at the present moment the pressing want of this colony, and I reply it is elbow room for the increasing population and the numerous industries that would probably find a home here if they were fostered by the Government, especially at a time when the suicidal policy of the Chinese Government is driving them away from China. I would ask what great reason it is that this town is divided into two parts by the suspension of our direct communications? What we require are reclamations along the entire sea front, and a widened passage made continuous from Belcher's Bay in the West to Causeway Bay in the East. If we managed our own affairs how long would it be before a tramway which is proposed for streets which are too narrow for it would run for the whole length of a continuous Bay, and before the regular swamp at Causeway Bay would be converted into a flourishing township? I hope some energetic action may be taken in this matter during the administration of the new Governor."

Our new Governor has been here for some considerable time, but as yet we have heard nothing of the "energetic action" advocated by Mr. JOHNSON, for the amelioration of what are undoubtedly serious grievances. Can the honourable gentleman do nothing to inaugurate a movement which may lead to induce the Government to grant the residents of Hongkong some measure of control over their own affairs? Can nothing be done by such an influential officer to make the Secretary of State recognise the necessity of making the Legislative Council in some sense a representative body? In the interests of the government as well as of the public, Mr. JOHNSON should see his way as a member of the Council, to officially bring before Sir GEORGE BOWEN

the absolute necessity which exists for more "elbow room" by an ever increasing population. In all these measures, the success of which would make Mr. JOHNSON in reality a public benefactor, he may safely rely on the hearty support of the community and the press.

If Mr. BULKLEY JOHNSON desires to place his name on the scroll of fame as a public benefactor of the colony of Hongkong he will have to do more than make mere suggestions, however valuable they may be. The reforms indicated in several of the honourable gentleman's public addresses are admittedly improvements which would materially enhance the commercial prospects of the island, effect important social requirements and generally benefit the public at large. But to accomplish any or either of these projects requires prompt and decided action. The old fashioned and unwieldy machine of colonial government—colonial governmental mismanagement would perhaps be more accurate—has been running so long in the present groove, that the drivers of the concern may object strongly to anything in the shape of modern innovations. Objections founded on self interest are not to be removed by the windy platitudes of even such an accomplished rhetorician as Mr. BULKLEY JOHNSON; a resolute movement headed by the chiefs, and supported by the general body of the community is the only means likely to lead to the desired improvements. With Governor BOWEN in favor of enlightened reform much might be accomplished. However, we are not particularly sanguine of anything for the public well being achieved through Mr. JOHNSON. He has frequently promised to electrify us with his wonderful schemes for the public benefit, all of which have ended as they began in idle words, that we have lost all confidence. The honourable gentleman's public career in Hongkong has been one long continued failure; he was "never discreet enough to know how to take things by the right handle" and he apparently has yet to learn that Heaven never helps the men who will not act.

TELEGRAMS.

MUSIC HONORED.

LONDON, May 8th.
The Prince of Wales has opened the College of Music and announced that the honor of knighthood will be conferred on Messrs. Macfarren, Arthur Sullivan and Grove.

LONDON, 9th May.
DEPARTURE OF LORD DUFFERIN FROM EGYPT.
Lord Dufferin has arrived at Constantinople.

THE BRITISH NAVY.
During a debate in the House of Commons on the Navy Estimates, Lord H. G. Lennox argued that the iron-clad navy was inadequate; Sir Thomas Brassey, however, gave reassuring information.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Mastodon Minstrels will give their second performance at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, this evening, when an entirely new programme, containing many features of interest, will be produced. The Company's Brass Band will perform outside the City Hall at 8 o'clock.

THE output of coal from the coal mines of the United Kingdom for the past year was 156,000,000 tons. This is an increase on the quantity of the year previous of 2,300,000 tons. For the past four years the production of coal has gone on increasing.

FROM a recent examination of soldiers' teeth by Dr. Fronius, he finds teeth in persons of fair complexion and hair are less durable than those of dark complexion. Stature has a manifest influence on the durability of teeth, which increases with the decrease of height, and vice versa. He seeks an explanation of this curious fact in a less perfect outer circulation in tall men than in short men. The right teeth show a greater vitality than the left.

MR. CHUN AGAN, who follows the useful occupation of boilermaker, and Mr. Li Achen, a member of the cattle persuasion, had a few unpleasant words yesterday whilst discussing important affairs of state. From words they proceeded to blows, and dusted each other round in scientific fashion. An intelligent member of the force, who happened to witness the scuffle between the ardent politicians, considered it his duty to prevent bloodshed so ran the pair into the cells. The belligerents appeared before Mr. Woodhouse this morning; they tendered them a few words of friendly advice for their future guidance, and permitted them to go their separate ways on payment of a fine of fifty cents each.

A SWEDISH fireman, rejoicing in the name of Erhard Rosenthal, was introduced to Mr. Woodhouse this morning, this honor being accorded to the noble Scandinavian, to enable him to make some explanation of the causes which led to his being found in the public streets drunk and disorderly at the early hour of a kid. After that worthy guardian of the peace, Thomas Beattie, P.C. No. 2, explained that the descendant of Gustavus Adolphus had been kicking up no end of a row at Peddar's Wharf, which necessitated his being "run in." His Worship expressed the opinion that payment of one dollar by Mr. Rosenthal to the Government exchequer would adequately expiate his offence. The rowdy Swede thanked the magistrate, stated up to his eyes in beer, and went his way rejoicing.

A REGULAR Meeting of Lodge St. John, No. 618 S.C. will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Friday evening the 18th inst. at 8 for 8.30 precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited to attend.

The following is a sample of the headlines with which the *Cincinnati Times and Star* enlivened its telegraphic columns during the Egyptian campaign:—

Woeful war.
It fills all its horrid front
In Egypt's desert land.
And Wadley's soldiers groan and grunt
From the scorching sand.
The injured Turk and poor Greek
In empty loud howl,
And the Powers, so to speak,
Stand on each other's corns.

THE Princess Dolgorouki is now living in Paris, having recently taken possession of the house formerly occupied by the Queen of Naples. Her carriage is seen on the avenue every afternoon, where her blonde beauty, enhanced by the deep mourning she still wears, and the two lovely children, her constant companions, make a very charming picture, although she is becoming so stout that the beauty that fascinated Alexander II. will soon be only a tradition.

SAYS the *Overland Mail*—The anxious father who is always asking himself and everybody else—"What shall I make of my son?" and who very seldom gets an answer which is altogether satisfying, might be recommended—in default of any more brilliant idea—to make him a professional cricket-player. It has just been announced that each member of the Australian team has pocketed between 600l. and 700l. as his share of the net profits of the recent European tour; and seeing that this neat little sum is the remuneration for a kind of work which is generally regarded as very enjoyable kind of play, the news will be received by a number of struggling young doctors, lawyers, and persons with something like a pang of envy. Who would not exchange obscure drudgery for the fame of a Spofforth, and 1000l. a year to help him to live up to it?

GRATITUDE is such a rare commodity in this wicked world that we are always pleased to be able to record an instance in which it is displayed. A very splendid example was mentioned at a recent meeting of the Stoke-on-Trent Board of Guardians. In the course of the proceedings the clerk informed the Board that he had received an anonymous letter containing fifteen shillings in postage stamps. This came from a man who said he had received medical aid from the ratepayers when he was very poor, and feeling grateful for the assistance he was anxious to refund the cost. He would send the remaining portion when he had saved up a little more money. The guardians, it is needless to say, were almost dumb-founded. Such an act on the part of a "wicked" pauper had never previously come under their notice. The anonymous donor is evidently of the same stamp as those individuals who send conscience money for unpaid income-tax to the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

SAYS the *Japan Mail*—Among the contingencies which may be contemplated in connection with America's ratification of the Korean Treaty, difficulties about the Chinese Immigration Bill occupy a prominent place. It is not, perhaps, likely that the Koreans will avail themselves to any great extent, for the present at all events, of the privileges conferred by the treaty. Some years must pass before they appreciate the attractions of the American labour market sufficiently to flock thither in inconvenient numbers. But what is to prevent the tide of Chinese emigration from finding a new outlet through the Korean peninsula? Certain it is that His Excellency Li Hung-chang is resolved to contrive that the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company shall absorb a lion's share of any profits accruing from the foreign commerce of the newly opened dependency.

We noted in a recent issue, that the manager of the company, Mr. Tong King-sing, is now on his way to England for the purpose of purchasing some large steamers to be employed in the service of a China-European line under native management. Possibly the next thing we shall hear will be, that the C.M.S.N. Company has organized an opposition to the P.M.S.S. and O. & C. Companies, and that an important feature of the scheme is the carriage of Korean coolies to San Francisco. It would surely be very easy for Chinese really desirous of emigrating, to elude the provisions of the Angell-Swift Convention by temporarily borrowing Korean nationality, and it would be impossible for America, at the very outset of her intercourse with a country hitherto absolutely secluded, to withhold a privilege so essential to liberal relations as the unrestricted immigration of the laboring classes. Even granting, too, that the Chinese refrain from any such attempt as we have described, America's position seems to be plainly illogical. The Secretary of State says that the anti-immigration treaty is not directed against all the yellow races of the Orient, but only against the Chinese. Is it likely, however, that the good people of the Pacific Slope will admit this distinction? Certainly they will not be capable of making it for themselves. To them a coolie from Seoul and a coolie from Shanghai will be one and the same thing, and whatever objections they have urged against Chinese immigration on the score of dirt or immorality will apply with still greater force to Koreans. What we may anticipate, however, is, that the good sense of the American nation will have asserted itself effectually before this question demands any practical solution. It must be frankly admitted that a more thoroughly medieval piece of legislation than the anti-immigration bill is not furnished by the records of any modern State. The notion of a Government attempting to decide whom the people shall or shall not employ in the capacity of laborers, is worthy of the times when the legislature helped men to choose the color of their coats or the shape of their boots. If American citizens did not want Chinese labour, all they had to do was to refrain from employing it. That would have been the simple, common-sense remedy, and to that remedy we entertain no doubt, America will resort ere long.

MANY weather-wise persons, observes the *Sportman*, argue that the climate of England has changed during the last thirty years; that we no longer have any old-fashioned winters of ice and snow; that the summers are colder, milder, more frequent, and wind more boisterous. There is no doubt that many seasons of late have been quite different to the recognized standard; that we have had spring in winter, summer in spring, with winter and summer in autumn. In reference to the rainfall, Mr. J. B. Laws, of Rothamstead, has furnished some very interesting statistics in a letter to *The Times*. These clearly show that during the last thirty years there has been a steady increase in the amount of rain which has fallen in England. These facts have been ascertained on the field of the gauges erected on the field of the gauges, having an area of 43 square inches, to 1858 the mean fall was 25.1 in. increased to 27.13 in. in 1882, while for 1883 it was no less than 33.1 in. This is a most outlandish, and if the increase continues, we shall all have to emigrate, and transact our business in boats.

MESSRS. Chan Wat and Fan Kam have been to that numerous and distinguished body of coolies for which the neighbouring islands are justly celebrated. Yesterday morning, Mr. Chan Wat, assisted by others of the same name, was engaged in discharging a cargo of the river steamer *Kiungking* into a lighter alongside the ship. On making a start to lift the lighter after the completion of the job, Mr. Chan Wat, head covering presented such an unusual appearance, that Mr. Chan Tai, the "boss" of the lighter, expressed a desire to be permitted to inspect the *chapman*, a request which was promptly refused. Chan Tai thereupon grappled with Mr. Wat and in the struggle the hat fell to the ground, and some eight pounds of fine flavored Bohemian, the property of the P. & O. Co., strewn the deck. In spite of all his struggles the lighterman held on to Mr. Wat's queue like grim death, when suddenly Mr. Fan Kam Han dashed to the rescue of his friend, being supported in this movement by several other coolies. Chan Tai was quickly getting the worst of the encounter when Mrs. Chan appeared on the scene, and rushed to the assistance of her husband, the men belonging to the lighter also joining in the *mille*, with the result that the two coolies above named were eventually secured and handed over to the police. During the fight Mrs. Chan's jade stones bangles were damaged to the extent of ten dollars. When paraded before Mr. Woodhouse, Mr. Chan Wat said that he was merely carrying away a small quantity of tea which he picked up from the bottom of the cargo-boat, and his pal Fan admitted having "gone for" Chan Tai because that individual had accused him of being an accomplice in the tea pilfering. As to assaulting Mrs. Chan, he repudiated the allegation with lofty scorn, for does not the poet say that—"The man who lays his hand upon a woman, save in the act of kindness, is a wretch whom twice gross flattery to call a coward." This was effective with the spectators, but did not go down with the magistrate, who sent Chan Wat for twenty-one days and Fan Kam Han to six weeks retirement into government quarters, hard labor being added to keep the two martyrs from wearying. In addition to this Mr. Fan was called upon to ante up ten dollars, as amends to Mrs. Chan for the broken bangle, or undergo a further term of six weeks seclusion.

TWO ghost stories told (says the London correspondent of the *Liverpool Mercury*) by our most eminent anatomist as are so romantic in their way as any told by the Psychological Society. When, hardly more than a lad, at Lancaster, the future defender of vivisection was studying for the medical profession, he had a horror of the ghastly details of the business, which he imagined he could never overcome. He was cured, strange to say, by a fright. Having to take some medicine on a windy night to Lancaster Castle, he had to pass through the room in which he had taken part in dissections, just as he entered the room with the basket of medicine under his arm, the cloud which hid the room suddenly parted, a door slammed, and, looking up, the future biologist saw what he thought was an enormous figure in white, with arms outstretched, looking down upon him. He turned around trembling, and against the wall opposite stood another figure in white. He dropped his basket and ran. The patients in Lancaster Castle got no medicine that night. But when he returned next day, and found that he had been frightened by mortuary sheets, he braced his nerves up so that he was soon collecting skulls. He made a fine set; but for a long time he could not get an Ethiopian skull. At last a negro died in Lancaster Castle, and the young doctor got permission to have his head. It was again a windy night when the operation of removing the head was determined upon. But habited in his long cloak, then the fashion; and provided with a blue bag; the comparative anatomist stood by the head safely stowed away. As he left the room in which the coffin lay, however, the wind slammed the door, caught his cloak, and nearly threw him upon his face. Attempting to recover himself, he lost his hold of the bag, the head fell out, rolled with increasing velocity down a flight of steps, across a courtyard, and settled itself upon the neck, with one eye open and the other shut. The professor rushed wildly after it, seized the skull, put it in his bag again, and ran from the Castle. Four or five years afterwards he was attending a dying woman, who called loudly for a clergyman, to whom she had something to tell. The doctor begged her to tell him, as no clergyman was near enough to be called in time. At length she spoke. "Oh, sir, I had a husband who was a negro, and I fear a bad man. He died, sir, in Lancaster Castle, and oh, sir, I was standing one day in the room when my husband's head came out of the floor and seemed to ask me to help him. And then, sir, the devil came through the door, snatched up the head, put it into a bag, and disappeared before I could do anything. And I have never done anything, Oh, sir, what can I do for my husband's soul?"

EDWARD DERBYSHIRE, William O'Conner and William Frede, seamen belonging to H.M.S. *Carapoa*, were up before Mr. Woodhouse at the Police Court this morning charged with being strangers from that ship. His Worship sent the worthy trio on board the *Carapoa* to be dealt with by the Naval Authorities.

It is stated that the Russian Government have at length decided to extend the Trans-Caspian railways to Askaniya, and beyond. We read that the material required for the lines is actually being prepared on the spot, while an English engineer has been offered an engagement by a well-known firm of Russian contractors intimately associated with the construction of Russian strategic lines, presumably for this particular project.

It has been "inkwitted" (to quote the *Black House*) that the

A CORRESPONDENT informs us that as he and a friend were going up the Wanchai Gap Road, leading to the peak, just above the military sanitarium, he observed some Chinese cutting earth and rotten granite on the hill side some sixty feet above the pathway. The earth and other rubbish was being tipped over the precipice by the workmen and came rolling down at a tremendous pace, blocking up the roadway and rendering it very dangerous to pass by. Our correspondent wishes to know whose business it is to superintend this kind of work, and who would be held responsible if any serious accident occurred, such as loss of life, through the carelessness of the earth cutters. We are not in a position to answer the queries of our friend, and can only recommend him not to walk that way again until the danger has been pointed out, have been seen to, as we do not feel like losing a valued subscriber at the opening of the summer season. However, we beg to bring the grievance mentioned to the notice of "the honorable the Surveyor General," who will doubtless see that some means are taken to prevent any of our tax payers being "skinned off their mortal coil" by accident, until such time as the gigantic water scheme now on hand is completed. After that is an accomplished fact, a rate-payer or two the fewer will make but little difference, and for that matter, we will then, we think, be able to spare our own very talented one to some other benighted colony where water is badly wanted, and where fresh laurels will await the noble public benefactor whose soul soars so much above such common things as drains and drainage.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents on this column.]

THE LOSS OF THE "MATARAM."
To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."
Sir,—In the *China Mail* of the 17th inst. the following letter is signed "An Old Salter" published. I notice by your paper extra that the Dutch Schooner *Mataram*, has been wrecked on the Pratas shoal, and that the captain and chief mate left the schooner to come here to look for assistance. Does not this look bad, that the two heads should run away and leave the other poor devils to look out for themselves? (One generally supposes that the captain should be the last man to leave the ship.) In reference to this, perhaps you will find room in your columns for a few words from one who knows something about the circumstances, connected with the loss of the above named schooner.

It appears to me that it is a very unfair thing for a newspaper editor to allow an anonymous correspondent to slander a man who happens to be under a misfortune, and what the slander is, utterly false; but at the same time, calculated to do harm to the person assailed, the newspaper incurs a very serious responsibility. I have never seen newspapers make the means for spiteful and malicious attacks on people by anonymous correspondents except in Hongkong, and I think only in the *China Mail*, and feel sure the public cannot approve of such disgraceful proceedings. "An Old Salter" might have been more generous than to have thrown such nasty insinuations upon an unfortunate, especially as he was quite ignorant of the circumstances to which he made allusion. So that there should be no mistake as to the actual truth, I beg to state for "Old Salter" information that the Captain of the *Mataram* was actually the last man to leave the wrecked vessel, and also that neither the Captain nor the Chief Mate ran away from the crew, and let the poor devils look out for themselves, but actually risked their lives by staying and what assistance, doing the only thing that could be done under the circumstances, and being the only two men belonging to the ship who got out.

After reading this and the report of the loss of the *Mataram*, "An Old Salter" knows what shameless should feel himself ashamed of himself. I am, Sir, your obedient servant, YOUNG SALT.

YOUNG SALT.

THE P. & O. Co. steamship *Mataram*, with the next English mail, left Hongkong for this port on the 6th inst. and may be expected to arrive here to-day.

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